

BLUAC Steering Committee
January 20, 2005

Chairman Averill opened the meeting at 12:05 p.m. Secretary Hanson read the minutes of the previous meeting. Minutes were approved as read.

Averill thanked Russ Miller for the coverage of the survey project in the Bigfork Eagle.

Old Business:

Buz Meyer reported the receipt of \$3,000.00 toward funding the survey and noted that more donations were promised. The fund now has approximately \$6,000.00.

Discussion regarding the mailing lists for the survey touched on how to avoid duplicate mailings and how to differentiate between individual property owners and trusts and corporations. Shelley Gonzales detailed the process of sorting through lists provided by Flathead County. Every precaution will be used to omit duplicates. Shelley also noted there were several addresses located outside the United States. It was decided that a FAX number would be used to receive comments from out of country survey results. Discussed also included inserting a separate envelope for contributions to the cost of the survey.

John Bourquin reported his conversation with BLUAC Chairman, Tim Calaway. Mr. Calaway is not in favor of mailing the survey answers to Flathead Bank. He would like them to be mailed to the Flathead County Planning and Zoning office. Calaway also requested that the envelopes be numbered.

Buz Meyer made the motion, sustaining the Steering Committee's position, that to maintain the integrity, security and possible contributions for the survey, that the survey results be mailed to Flathead Bank of Bigfork where the bank employees would tally each day's number of envelopes delivered and store the survey envelopes in the bank vault until results were to be tallied. Shelley Gonzales seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Averill offered that he would speak to Tim Calaway to determine his objections to the Flathead Bank as mailing location for survey results.

Shelley Gonzales will type up the process used for producing the mailing lists for the survey to be attached to the minutes of the 1/27/05 Steering Committee meeting.

Denise Lang reported the draft survey needed some mechanical tweeking to resolve some spacing problems in the draft document. Averill offered an employee who could do the formatting. Answer sheet will be printed on a single sheet, printed on both sides to reduce weight for mailing.

New Business:

Averill pointed out that the survey was just the first step in the process. Plans should be made to do mapping and documenting the results compiled in the survey.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.
Sue Hanson, Secretary